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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
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Re: Reply Comment DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340

Dear FCC,

Please allow me to provide input to your agency in support of the proceedings I understand you are considering relative to Reston, Virginia-based LightSquared. As an active member of our local business community and a sales manager, I'm constantly volunteering for efforts to extend broadband connectivity to rural, underserved areas. I've watched the ongoing struggles of LightSquared and the GPS industry with hopes that it might be possible for the two sides to come to an agreement so that we could actually have both. While I understand there's still a ways to go, I'm very encouraged to learn that a compromise may indeed be possible. As such, I'd like to urge you to do whatever it takes to turn that possibility into a probability.

No doubt, we need more competition and choice when it comes to broadband providers, and I'm hopeful that the LightSquared business model will provide both. My job includes near-daily travel through rural areas, and very often, I am unable to even use my cell phone. And my clients are constantly complaining about the slow speeds of their smart phones and tablets, not to mention the complaints about the money they spend every month for what we agree is less-than stellar service. Thank you for your efforts to continue to try to find a path forward for LightSquared. I hope you'll consider moving with speed in allowing them the license modification they've requested. In my opinion, the kind of network they plan to build is long overdue.

Sincerely,


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